

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): Calcium absorption enhancer comprising as an active ingredient calcium and ~~at least one component selected from the group consisting of egg white, egg white proteins and isoflavones~~, wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is between 20 to 60 by weight.

Claim 2 (withdrawn): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the egg white proteins are in their natural form.

Claim 3 (previously presented): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the egg white or the egg white proteins contains only ovalbumin, ovotransferrin, and ovomucoid.

Claim 4 (canceled):

Claim 5 (withdrawn): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is between 1.5 and 48.

Claim 6 (currently amended): An orally ingestible composition comprising a calcium absorption enhancer comprising as an active ingredient calcium and ~~at least one component selected from the group consisting of egg white, egg white proteins and isoflavones~~, wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is between 20 to 60 by weight.

Claim 7 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 wherein the composition is in a form selected from the group consisting of a food product, a dietary supplement, a nutritional supplement and a pharmaceutical.

Claim 8 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 wherein the proportion of egg white and calcium compared to the total composition is from 0.2 to 100% by weight.

Claim 9 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 comprising a component selected from the group consisting of prebiotics and functional ingredients.

Claim 10 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 wherein the food product is in a form selected from the group consisting of a human food product and a pet food product.

Claim 11 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 wherein the active ingredients are in powder form.

Claim 12 (withdrawn): A method of producing a calcium absorption enhancer product comprising the steps of using as an active ingredient calcium and at least one component selected from the group consisting of egg white, egg white proteins and isoflavones to produce the calcium absorption enhancer product .

Claim 13 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is between 4 and 400.

Claim 14 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is between 1.5 and 48.

Claim 15 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein calcium and egg white are provided at the same time but separately.

Claim 16 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 to attenuate obesity.

Claim 17 (withdrawn): Method of according to claim 23 wherein the individual is a pet or human.

Claim 18 (withdrawn): Method of claim 23 wherein the treatment is to create increased bone mass.

Claim 19 (withdrawn): Method of claim 23 wherein the treatment is to increase the bone mass peak.

Claim 20 (withdrawn): Method of claim 23 wherein the treatment is designed to delay the arrival in the critical bone mass.

Claim 21 (withdrawn): Method of claim 23 wherein the treatment is designed to increase weight loss, help reducing weight and/or to reduce body fat.

Claim 22 (withdrawn): Method of claim 23 wherein the treatment is designed to increase mobility.

Claim 23 (withdrawn): A method of providing a treatment that involves the use of a calcium absorption enhancer comprising the steps of administering to an individual a therapeutically-effective amount of a composition comprising as an active ingredient calcium and at least one component selected from the group consisting of egg white, egg white proteins and isoflavones.

Claim 24 (canceled):

Claim 25 (withdrawn): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is between 6 to 20.

Claim 26 (previously presented): Orally ingestible composition according to claim 6 wherein the proportion of egg white and calcium compared to the total composition is from 1 to 99%.

Claim 27 (previously presented): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is 40.

Claim 28 (withdrawn): Calcium absorption enhancer according to claim 1 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is 12.

Claim 29 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is 40.

Claim 30 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is 12.

Claim 31 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio of egg white/calcium is between 20 to 60.

Claim 32 (withdrawn): Method according to claim 12 wherein the ratio calcium/isoflavones is 6 to 20.